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(57) Abstract: The invention provides a method of preparing a processed food for heating or cooking in a microwave oven, the method comprising including in the food a suitable amount of a bean powder selected from the group consisting of lima bean powder and deodorised bean powders. The invention also provides a food additive composition comprising a bean powder selected from the group consisting of lima bean powder and deodorised bean powders, and at least one further component selected from the group consisting of a water absorbent vegetable fibre, an inorganic calcium compound and a modified cellulose.